



# STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
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Wednesday, June 29, 2016 9:00 AM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (16-3311)

Attachments: AUDIO

Call to Order. (16-3178)

Vice President Renée Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Genevieve Morrill joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Present: Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee,

Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and

Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

### I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

**1.** Approval of Minutes for the meeting of June 8, 2016. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-3125)

Commissioner Shan Lee noted there was a correction needed to the name of Vice President Renée Campbell under the Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

After discussion, by Common Consent, there being no objection, this item was approved as amended by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan

Lee, Commissioner James Barger and Commissioner

Priscilla Cheng

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

2. Received and File the Summary of Notes from the meeting of June 22, 2016. (16-3245)

After discussion, by Common Consent, there being no discussion, this item was received and filed.

Ayes: 4 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan

Lee, Commissioner James Barger and Commissioner

Priscilla Cheng

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

**Attachments:** SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

### **II. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Hearing on application for issuance of new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Pacific Historic Parks, located at 94-1187 Ka Uka Boulevard, Waipahu, HI 96797 located out of state. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-2707)

Ms. Minette Lew Mc Cabe provided an overview of the charitable organzation that was incorporated in 1979 and responded to questions posed by the Commission through a teleconference line. She noted the organization works with the National Park Service. They raise money, run educational programs, provide support (i.e. gift shops/retail support) for historical sites within Hawaii such as Diamond Head and the Arizona Memorial. About 50 percent of the proceeds support the historical sites. This is due to some site requirements that do not allow charges for admission. As a result, there is a lot of overhead at some retail/gift shops. The National Park Service determines where the proceeds will be allocated. The organization employs 65 employees.

After discussion, on motion of Vice President Renée Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Priscilla Cheng, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the issuance of a new Information Card with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

After further discussion, on motion of Vice President Renée Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Priscilla Cheng, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the Notice of Intention to Solicit with the following vote:

- Ayes: 5 Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill
- 4. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General, Business License ID# 142696, to issue a new license to Weiwei Tao for LL Health Center, located at 1147 West Carson Street, Torrance, CA 90502 in the Second District. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-3126)

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application for LL Health Center to Weiwei Tao and noted the applicant had obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC had no objection to the issuance of a new license.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Weiwei Tao reported that there are four licensed employees. The owner is not a licensed masseuse, however she answers the telephone. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Pictures of the place of business were shared with Commissioners. During discussion, Ms. Tao, noted that the rooms are separated with curtains and do not have doors. She added laundry is done on-site.

After discussion, on motion of Vice President Renée Campbell, seconded by Commissioner James Barger, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENT</u>

5. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General, Business License ID# 142200, to issue a new license to Zeng Shu Tian for Zen Massage, located at 23708 Malibu Road, Malibu, CA 90265 in the Third District. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-3127)

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application for Zen Massage and noted the applicant had obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC had no objection to the issuance of a new license.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Zeng Shu via her interpreter, Mr. Tian reported the hours of business operation were from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. and has only two (2) licensed employees; the owner and his spouse. Photos of the business were shared with the Commission. During discussion, Mr. Tian noted there are four (4) rooms with curtains and a restroom with a door. She added that laundry services are done at home and brought back to the business.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Genevieve Morrill, seconded by Commissioner James Barger, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

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6. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General, Business License ID# 142710, to issue a new license to Rewat Rassamekitti for Lanna Thai Spa, located at 18354 ½ Soledad Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91387 in the Fifth District. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-3128)

Nicole Love, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application of Rewat Rassamekitti for Lanna Thai Spa and noted the applicant had obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC had no objection to the issuance of a new license.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Tammy Rassamekiarttisak, translator for Rewat Rassamekitti, reported that the hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and has three (3) licensed employees. There are four (4) beds with curtains, there are no doors and laundry services are done on-site. It was noted that there are four (4) partners but only the general partner (1) is required to have a background check.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner James Barger, seconded by Vice President Renée Campbell, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

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7. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General, Business License ID# 142559, to issue a new license to Jing Zhao for TW Health American Group, located at 22808 Soledad Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Fifth District. (Continued from the meeting of June 22, 2016.) (16-3129)

Nicole Love, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application of Jing Zhao for TW Health American Group and noted the applicant had obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC had no objection to the issuance of a new license.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Jing Shao reported that business hours of operation are from 10:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and there are three (3) licensed employees. The business has eight (8) beds with curtains with no doors and the laundry services are done on-site.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner James Barger, seconded by Commissioner Shan Lee, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

8. Hearing on application for issuance of a new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Wounded Warrior Project, Inc., located at 4899 Belfort Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, FL 32256 located out of State. (16-3154)

Slade Dukes, Managing Counsel of Legal Services spoke on behalf of Gary Corless, the Chief Development Officer for Wounded Warrior Project (Project).

Prior to the testimony of Mr. Dukes, Commissioner Barger noted the numerous attempts he and Staff have made to schedule the Project to testify before the Commission. Mr. Dukes noted that the Project strived to comply as soon as they received the "Cease and Desist" letter from the Commission, dated April 29, 2016; however, apologized and could not respond to why previous requests by the Commission were not responded to.

Mr. Dukes provided an overview of their annual audited financial review and highlighted line items relating to the allocation of expenses by the Project which included programs, operation, management, and fund raising. Mr. Dukes added that approximately 80 percent of the total program services go directly to programs and services for wounded warriors, their family members and caregivers. In response to Commissioner Barger, he stated the cost to run the all of the programs is built in and also includes advertising.

Mr. Dukes noted that on the Notice of Intent to Solicit application, the Project listed that 100 percent of the proceeds will go to the services less expenses. He added that there are no cost allocations to fundraise in the Los Angeles County unincorporated area they have a national fundraising program.

Commissioner Barger reiterated that although the Project received a "Cease and Desist" letter, the organization continued to solicit within the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and noted the the Project is not in compliance and continue to solicit fund in unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Mr. Dukes provided an overview of services that are offered for wounded warriors, their family members and caregivers and added that there is not a physical office or resource center located in Los Angeles County. However, there is an office in San Diego and there are four team

members in the field in Los Angeles County.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner James Barger, seconded by Commissioner Lee and unanimously carried, this item was continued to the meeting of July 27, 2016 with a report back on the following:

- The amount that has been raised within Los Angeles County since the April 29, 2016 "Cease and Desist" letter;
- The specific deliverables for services that have been provided directly within Los Angeles County up to the current Fiscal Year;
- · A breakdown cost of the services being provided;
- The names of the agencies that assist with the services provided in Los Angeles County and the names of the four team members working in the field in Los Angeles County;
- The demographics of individuals being served; and
- Per the April 29, 2016 "Cease and Desist" letter, discontinue raising funds in Los Angeles County until the Project is issued a valid license/information card.

**Attachments:** SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

9. Hearing on application for issuance of new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Derek Alpert for Concern Foundation, located at 11111 West Olympic Blvd, Suite 214, Los Angeles, CA 90064 in the Second District. (16-3131)

Derek Alpert, President of Concern Foundation, reported that the non-profit was established in 1968 to support funding for cancer research immunology. They work with 750 cancer research centers with an employee staff of three(3). In the past, most of the work was provided by volunteers and the top beneficiaries of the foundation services are children's hospitals and cancer patients receiving treatment.

After discussion, on motion of Vice President Renée Campbell, seconded by Commissioner James Barger, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the issuance of a new Information Card with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

After further discussion, on motion of Vice President Renée Campbell, seconded by Commissioner James Barger, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the Notice of Intention to Solicit with the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger, Commissioner Priscilla Cheng and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

10. Hearing on application for issuance of a new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Humane Society Wildlife Land Trust, located at 2100 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037 located out of State. (16-3246)

This item was continued without discussion to a future agenda to allow applicant an opportunity to appear before the Commission. No action was taken by the Commission.

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11. Hearing on application for issuance of a new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Humane Society Legislative Fund, located at 2100 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037 located out of State. (16-3247)

This item was continued without discussion to a future agenda to allow applicant an opportunity to appear before the Commission. No action was taken by the Commission.

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12. Hearing on application for issuance of a new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Humane Society of the United States, located at 2100 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037 located out of State. (16-3248)

This item was continued without discussion to a future agenda to allow applicant an opportunity to appear before the Commission. No action was taken by the Commission.

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### III. MISCELLANEOUS

**13.** Commissioners' Comments. (16-3180)

The Commission reviewed the calendar for the month of July and the agreed to cancel the July 6, 2016 meeting.

## **Public Comment**

**14.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (16-3181)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

**15.** Adjournment for the meeting of June 29, 2016. (16-3182)

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.